## In the United States Court of Federal Claims

## **OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS**

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SCOTT V. BARTKUS, Administrator of the	*	UNPUBLISHED
Estate of LAWRENCE A. MARRA, JR.,	*	
Deceased.	*	No. 15-261V
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	*	Special Master Gowen
Petitioner,	*	-
,	*	
V.	*	Attorneys' Fees and Costs;
	*	Interim; Denial.
SECRETARY OF HEALTH	*	,
AND HUMAN SERVICES,	*	
	*	
Respondent.	*	
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<u>Lawrence R. Cohan</u>, Anapol Weiss, Philadelphia, PA, for petitioner. <u>Lisa Ann Watts</u>, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C., for respondent.

## **DECISION DENYING MOTION FOR INTERIM FEES AND COSTS**

On September 11, 2018, petitioner filed a motion for interim attorneys' fees and costs, after the parties had agreed to a tentative settlement and while the parties were in the 15-week stipulation process. Motion for Interim Attorney's Fees and Costs, ECF No. 71.

On October 29, 2018, I issued a decision on stipulation awarding petitioner compensation. Decision of Special Master on Stipulation, ECF No. 75.

As petitioner's motion for interim fees and costs was filed during the 15-week stipulation process and the entitlement portion of the case has since concluded, it is more appropriate for petitioner to request reimbursement as a final motion for interim fees and costs.

Accordingly, petitioner's Motion for Interim Attorney's Fees and Costs is **DENIED** with leave to file a final motion for attorneys' fees and costs.

Any questions about this Order or other aspects of this case may be directed to my law clerk, Kathryn Le, at (202) 357-6361 or <a href="mailto:kathryn\_le@cfc.uscourts.gov">kathryn\_le@cfc.uscourts.gov</a>.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Thomas L. Gowen
Thomas L. Gowen
Special Master